Statement

Details of coir and coir products exported during last three years

(Quantity in Tonnes) (Value in Rs. Lakhs)

Item	2001-02		2002-03		2003-04	
	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
Coir fibre	101030	122.13	103687	103.80	1120.75	14244
Curled coir	57252	80.63	492 37	8005	76.64	14.02
Coir Pith	1372565	1014.34	21064 19	1493.00	29179.35	197592
Coir rope	34864	108.04	332.40	102.05	308.88	111.46
Coir yarn	13206 90	372860	11482 48	299678	12364 43	3498 71
Coir Geotextiles	1752.05	78013	2140 68	98522	2599 54	1184.74
Coir Rugs	1329.97	103977	1327 08	932.41	1694.56	1071.36
Handloom Mats	26147.89	17009 85	3305874	20711.80	3630699	22133 69
Handloom Mattings	442327	2921.03	477263	3191.41	454556	2838.66
Powerloom Mats	686.51	458.19	954 85	58552	102628	672.13
Powerloom Mattings	274.05	226.18	183.16	111.78	309 04	21544
Tufted Mats	7129.54	4112.36	6429 05	3434 74	1177250	6359 54
Rubberised coir	454 62	35037	53523	403.42	461.75	33467
Coir other sorts	27290	106.81	37286	13855	490.21	197 90
TOTAL	7133481	3205833	8418259	3527053	10225341	4074966

State-wise details of export are not centrally maintained

Conference regarding ARIs and SSIs

† 401. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether suggestions have been made to improve the monetary limit along with complete definitions of Rural Industries, Small Industries and Tiny Industries in the Conference of Rural Industries Ministers and Ministers of State for Small Scale Industries;

(b) if so, the recommendations made in this Conference;

(c) whether there is any proposal to amend the present law to implement these recommendations, and

(d) if so, the details of the steps to be taken by Government to implement the recommendations made in the Conference?

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi

THE MINISTER OF AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) and (b) Three of the Ministers present in the Conference of Ministers (SSI/KVI/Coir) of States/UTs held on 25th June, 2004, expressed the opinion that monetary ceiling of investment in Small Scale Industries (SSIs) should be raised from Rupees one crore to Rupees five crore while another representative of a State Government desired that the limit be raised to Rupees three crore.

(c) and (d) Amendment of law is not required to raise the monetary limit.

Illegal telephone exchanges

402. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of illegal telephone exchanges operating in Delhi and its roundabout;

(b) whether these telephone exchanges provide international telephony by-passing the licensed service providers;

(c) if so, the estimated loss of revenue being suffered by Government per month due to this reason;

(d) the number of such illegal telephone exchanges busted, so far, during the last three years; and

(e) the number of persons running these illegal telephone exchanges, who have been arrested and prosecuted so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) No indicator is available to estimate the number of illegal telephone exchanges in Delhi and its roundabout. However, as soon as any such set-up comes to light, immediate action is taken to stop it.

(b) Yes. Sir. These telephone exchanges forward incoming international calls to the local networks by-passing the gateways of the licensed service providers.

(c) In view of (a) & (b) above, it is not possible to estimate the loss of revenue being suffered per month.

(d) 43 such illegal exchanges/set-ups have been busted during the last three years.